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1. Between 20 June and 1 July 1951, only one infantry Kommando was in the quarters of the VPD in Brandenburg-Hohenstuecken. All other components of the VPD were at a summer training camp which, according to rumors, was located near the Altengrabow troop training grounds. VP Inspekteur Wagner, (fnu), was identified as the commanding officer of the VPD.

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2. At the end of June, about 1,000 German police were seen in a tent camp on Trien Lake near Rhinsmuehlen (N 53/Z 26). They were said to belong to the VP unit from Brandenburg-Hohenstuecken. At the time of observation, the tents in the camp were being replaced by low wooden barracks, and a water main was under construction. \*\*

3. For several days at the end of June, three T-34 tanks were seen at the camp on Trien Lake. They were operated by Soviet soldiers and participated in the field training of German police. Twenty-six Soviet instructors wearing VP uniforms with rank insignia of VP Kommissar and Oberkommissar recently arrived at the police training camp.

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25X1A Comment: A VP training camp, probably identical with this one, was given in that report as "Trint" rather than "Trien". The correct spelling cannot be established by any available reference material.

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25X1A \*\*  Comment. A rotation of components of VPD 2511 to a summer camp is in accordance with information on other VPDs and appears credible. The training camp of the VPD is believed to be located at Rhinsmuehlen, as stated in paragraph 2 of the present report, rather than at the Altengrabow troop training grounds where Soviet artillery troops practice but where no police have been observed to date.

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